

HOUSE RESOLUTION 80
By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Hurley Clyde Young.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Hurley Clyde Young; and

WHEREAS, Brother Young was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, for more than thirty years, he served with acumen and alacrity as an employee of Monsanto, during which time he earned the respect of his colleagues and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work and his dedication to his duties; upon his retirement in 1989, Brother Young became involved in real estate in the Mt. Pleasant and Columbia communities of Maury County; and

WHEREAS, Brother Young was an active and devout member of the St. Paul A.M.E. Church, which he served faithfully for many years as Head Trustee, President of the Men's Chorus, Class Leader, and a member of both the Lay Organization and the Celia Wingfield Board; and

WHEREAS, along with his church positions, he was a Vice President of the Friendly Fifteen, Business Manager of the ONO's Social Club, and a member of The Vegas Boys; and

WHEREAS, Brother Young was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Hurley Clyde Young enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of more than twenty-one years, Susie Elston Young, and he was the proud parent of three daughters, Valencia Mitchell-Hyatt, and her husband, Kim Johnathan Hyatt, Letha McClarn, and Sandra Young, and a special son, Demetrious (Meco) Dooley; and

WHEREAS, Brother Young was further blessed with two grandchildren, Ashlee and Jordan McClarn; and

WHEREAS, he treasured the love he shared with each member of his family: his sister, Ethel Dyles; his sister-in-law, Barbara Wright; his brother-in-law, Dr. Charles Wright; nephews, Sean Elston Wright and Nicholas Dyles; nieces, Chira Nicole Hollaman and her husband, Charles, and Cheri Jones and her husband, Sam; his aunts, Mary Granberry, Amanda Arnell, and Ophelia Jenkins; his great-aunt, Ethel Perrymon; many sweet godchildren; and a host of friends and other relatives; and

WHEREAS, Brother Young wore many caps and answered to many names. He was "Honey" to his wife, "Grandy" to his grandchildren, "Papa Hurley" to his godchildren, "Pops" to his special son, "Mr. Hurley" to his tenants, "Uncle Hurley" to his nieces and nephews, "Son" to his aunts, "Hurley C." to his cousins and friends, and "Child of God" to his loving Father; and

WHEREAS, he was a gentle man who took his stewardship of this Earth seriously; his flowers and yard reflected his love for all things growing, and his tender care assured that his plants were nurtured; and

WHEREAS, Brother Young worked until September, 2002, when his health would no longer permit; and

WHEREAS, he was always thinking about things to plant, songs to sing, and anything for the betterment of "his" church; memories of him will be cherished by his loved ones, as he is now singing in that heavenly chorus and planting in Paradise; and

WHEREAS, Brother Young leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Hurley Clyde Young, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character as a Christian and a citizen and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Brother Young.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.